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SUBJECT: CONGRESSMAN SOLARZ INQUIRY REGARDING US VISAS FOR
DANIELLE SIMON COHEN AND FREDERICK S. COHEN

REF: STATE 126442

1. EMBASSY RECEIVED CONGRESSMAN SOLARZ' LETTER OF
APRIL 24 ON MAY 19 AND, AS SOON AS REQUIRED INFORMATION
WAS OBTAINED, REPLY WAS SENT MAY 27. FOLLOWING IS
TEXT OF REPLY.

2. BEGIN TEXT: DEAR CONGRESSMAN SOLARZ: IN THE
ABSENCE OF THE AMBASSADOR, I AM REPLYING TO YOUR
LETTER OF APRIL 24, 1975, RECEIVED MAY 19, 1975,
CONCERNING THE DESIRE OF MR. FREDERICK S. COHEN AND
HIS SISTER, MISS DANIELLE SIMON COHEN TO ENTER THE
UNITED STATES.

3. WHILE NEITHER MISS OR MR. COHEN IS REGISTERED
AT THE EMBASSY AS AN INTENDING IMMIGRANT (NEITHER
PRESENTLY MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED BY
LAW FOR SUCH REGISTRATION), IT APPEARS THAT THE
VOLUNTARY AGENCY, UNITED HIAS SERVICE, WILL BE ASSIST-
ING BOTH YOUNG PEOPLE IN SEEKING CONSIDERATION IN
THE REFUGEE CATEGORY UPON THEIR ARRIVAL IN EUROPE.
THIS WOULD BE DONE AT ONE OF THE OFFICES OF THE
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE ABROAD TO WHOM
SUCH RESPONSIBILITY IS DELEGATED.

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4. AS YOU ARE AWARE, THE EXIT PERMISSION GRANTED THE

COHENS BY THE EGYPTIAN AUTHORITIES IS LIMITED IN VALIDITY TO TWO MONTHS. MISS COHEN, THEREFORE, PLANS TO LEAVE CAIRO ON JUNE 2 AND HER BROTHER TO GO ON JUNE 16. BOTH EXPECT TO GO TO PARIS, BUT SAY THEY ARE UNAWARE WHAT STEPS WILL NEXT BE TAKEN.

5. I BELIEVE THE APPLICATIONS OF MISS AND MR. COHEN WILL BE VIEWED WITH SYMPATHY BY THE IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE AND WILL BE ACCORDED EVERY CONSIDERATION CONSISTENT WITH THE IMMIGRATION LAWS AND REGULATIONS.

6. PLEASE DO LET ME KNOW IF I MAY BE OF FURTHER ASSISTANCE TO YOU IN ANY WAY.

7. WITH BEST REGARDS, SINCERELY, FRANK E. MAESTRONE,
CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I. END TEXT

8. IT THUS APPEARS LIKELY THAT DANIELLE AND FREDERICK COHEN WILL DEPART EGYPT BEFORE THEIR EXIT PERMISSION EXPIRES. SUGGEST THAT CONGRESSMAN SOLARZ CONTACT HIAS AND INS OFFICIALS RE FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS THIS CASE.
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